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## **MEDIA NOTE**

## U.S.-BANGLADESH TRADE AND INVESTMENT COOPERATION FORUM AGREEMENT (TICFA) MEETING

**November 22, 2015, DHAKA** – The U.S. Embassy, Dhaka Bangladesh is pleased to announce that on November 23, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for South Asia Mike Delaney and Senior Secretary of Commerce Hedayetullah Al Mamun will co-chair the second TICFA Forum meeting in Washington, U.S.

On November 25, 2013, the United States and Bangladesh signed the Trade and Investment Cooperation Forum Agreement (TICFA) to establish an annual forum to identify and address obstacles to increasing bilateral trade and investment. This year's TICFA seeks to further bolster trade between the United States and Bangladesh, which exceeds \$6 billion annually.

U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission David Meale, who will represent the U.S. Embassy at TICFA, said, "TICFA is about expanding the potential of our two countries' bilateral trade and investment relationship, which includes promising new areas, from pharmaceuticals to increased investment in infrastructure to information technology."

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